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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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8 JAVIER LOPEZ, No. C-13-4047 EMC (pr)
9 Petitioner,

10 v. ORDER OF TRANSFER
11 PRISON'S C.E.O., *et al.*,
12 Respondents.

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14 Petitioner has filed a petition for writ of habeas corpus to challenge his conviction from the
15 San Diego County Superior Court. San Diego County lies within the venue of the Southern District
16 of California. Petitioner is confined in Monterey County, within the venue of the Northern District
17 of California. Venue is proper in a habeas action in either the district of confinement or the district
18 of conviction, 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d), although a petition challenging a conviction or the sentence
19 imposed is preferably heard in the district of conviction. *See* N. D. Cal. Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b).
20 The preferred venue is the Southern District of California because Petitioner was convicted and the
21 sentence was imposed in that district.

22 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a) and Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b), and in the interests of justice,
23 this action is **TRANSFERRED** to the United States District Court for the Southern District of
24 California. The Clerk shall transfer this matter forthwith.

25 IT IS SO ORDERED.

26 Dated: November 13, 2013

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EDWARD M. CHEN
United States District Judge